

By: Representatives Thomas, Capps,  
Huddleston

To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 78

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE TOWN OF INVERNESS,  
2 MISSISSIPPI, ON THE OCCASION OF ITS CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY  
3 CELEBRATION.

4 WHEREAS, on March 5, 1904, Governor J.K. Vardaman signed a  
5 resolution incorporating Inverness, with its 200 citizens, as a  
6 village in the State of Mississippi; and

7 WHEREAS, now with a population in the upwards of 1,200  
8 citizens, the town of Inverness will celebrate the centennial  
9 anniversary of its incorporation with festivities of recognition  
10 on Saturday, March 27, 2004; and

11 WHEREAS, Inverness, as a community, is older than a century,  
12 getting its start in the late 1890's when a Scottish settler by  
13 the name of William McInnis gave 88 acres of land in right-of-way  
14 to the Illinois Central Railroad to extend the infamous "Yellow  
15 Dog" line, which originated in Moorhead, Mississippi; and

16 WHEREAS, after Mr. McInnis' death, it was the family's  
17 request that his widow, Addie McInnis, be given the right to name  
18 the village; and

19 WHEREAS, giving this distinct honor, Mrs. McInnis so named  
20 the settlement Inverness, for her mother's hometown in Scotland;  
21 and

22 WHEREAS, it is the policy of this Legislature to recognize  
23 and commend the heritage and history of the state's villages,  
24 towns, cities and counties, such as Inverness, whose abundance of  
25 riches have contributed to the unique and valuable qualities that  
26 make the State of Mississippi unquestionably the greatest state in  
27 the nation:

28           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OR  
29 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING  
30 THEREIN, That we do hereby commend the town of Inverness,  
31 Mississippi, on the occasion of its Centennial Anniversary  
32 Celebration and extend our heartiest wishes for its continued  
33 success.

34           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be  
35 furnished to the Mayor of Inverness and to the members of the  
36 Capitol Press Corps.